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Re: Enclosed Request for Reconsideration
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/778,863
Docket No. 2000-029876US

Dear Examiner Backer:

Enclosed for filing is a Request for Reconsideration in response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 2, 2005, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



James E. Howard

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Ryuji Sato

Serial No.: 09/778,863

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Filed: February 8, 2001

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For: METHOD OF TRANSACTING MERCHANDISE ON ON-LINE SHOPPING AND
SYSTEM OF PROCESSING INFORMATION ABOUT INTERMEDIARY

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Box AF
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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

This paper is in preparation for imminent appeal and is responsive to the Office

Action dated March 2, 2005.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-29 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-10 and
21 are independent.